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In re Application of: Examiner: NYA Matthias Haller et al.) Group Art Unit: NYA Application No.: NYA Confirmation No.: NYA) Filing Date: Concurrently Herewith For: AN APPARATUS FOR THE APPLICATION OF A CURABLE) COMPOSITION TO A FASTENER AND CURABLE COMPOSITIONS SUITABLE FOR APPLICATION TO A FASTENER March 9, 2005

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 223113-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, kindly amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the claims appear on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks appear on page 8 of this paper.